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REMARKS

Claims 1-16, 18-23 and 25 are pending. Claims 1-12, 16-17, 19, and 21-22 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e). Claims 13-15, 18, 20 and 23-25 were objected to.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that claims 13-15, 18, 20 and 23-25 contain allowable subject matter and would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicants have elected to rewrite claims 18, 20 and 25 in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants believe that claim 19 is allowable in its present form by virtue of its dependency from claim 18, and claim 21 is allowable in its present form by virtue of its dependency from claim 20.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

Claims 1-12, 16-17, 19, and 21-22 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Number 6,684,072 issued to Anyekar on January 27, 2004.

Claim 19 now depends from allowable claim 18 and claim 21 now depends from allowable claim 20. Thus, claims 19 and 21 are allowable. Claims 17 and allowable claim 24 have been canceled. Applicants have amended independent claim 1 to include therein the limitations from allowable claim 24. As a result, Anvekar does not teach applicants' claim 1 limitation, as amended, that now recites,

"wherein the mobile switching center compiles a list of a plurality of service identifications received during the communication session from one or more service nodes that provided services to the prepaid mobile communication device;

wherein the mobile switching center later sends the list of the plurality of service identifications to the prepaid service node to facilitate calculation of an amount to bill the prepaid mobile communication device for use of the services associated with the plurality of service identifications."

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Anvekar does <u>not</u> teach these limitations, because the Examiner has indicated that these limitations contain allowable subject matter.

In view of the foregoing, applicants submit that Anvekar does not describe each and every element of claim 1, and therefore claim 1 is not anticipated by Anvekar. Since claims 2-16 and 23 depend from allowable claim 1, these claims are also allowable over Anvekar.

Independent claim 22 has a limitation similar to that of independent claim 18, which the Examiner has indicated contains allowable subject matter. For example, claim 22, as amended, recites, "means in the one or more media for receiving a dialed digits value from the prepaid mobile communication device that initiates a communication session with the intelligent peripheral component; and means in the one or more media for sending the dialed digits value to the prepaid service node, wherein the digits dialed value does not provide the prepaid service node with an indication of one or more billable activities of the communication session; wherein the means in the one or more media for sending the one or more service identifications in the triggered operation to the prepaid service node for billing the prepaid mobile communication device for the one or more services received during connection with the intelligent peripheral component comprising; means in the one or more media for sending the one or more service identifications to the prepaid service node to indicate the one or more billable activities that occurred on the communication session. Anyekar does not teach these limitations for the above-mentioned reasons. Therefore, claim 23 is likewise allowable over Anyekar.

Claim Amendments

Claims 2, 5-6, 8-10, 13-15 and 23 have been amended to add the term "and". No new matter has been added.

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Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that the Office Action's rejections have been overcome and that this application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are, therefore, respectfully solicited.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, allowance of all claims pending is respectfully requested. If a telephone conference would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call applicants' attorney.

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